

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0049] A friction clutch includes a housing having an axis of rotation; a pressure plate connected to the housing for rotation in common; a force exerting arrangement supported against the housing and the pressure plate; an actuator mechanism which acts on the force exerting arrangement to load the pressure plate axially with respect to the housing; and a bearing arrangement for supporting the actuator mechanism axially with respect to the housing so that it is prevented from moving in either axial direction.